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SUBJECT: ICE CREAM DIPLOMACY

1. IN THE JULY 5 ISSUE OF THE GOVERNMENT-CONTROLLED KABUL TIMES, BURIED BETWEEN THE NOW FAMILIAR REPORTS OF THE SIGNING OF NEW AID AGREEMENTS WITH THE SOVIET UNION, WAS A BRIEF ARTICLE THAT THE AFGHAN RED CRESCENT SOCIETY HAD SENT A MESSAGE OF SYMPATHY TO THE UNITED STATES RED CROSS. THE MESSAGE REPORTEDLY EXPRESSED AFGHAN CONDOLENCES ON THE OCCASION OF AN ICE CREAM VAN EXPLOSION IN NEW YORK CITY, WHICH INJURED MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE PEOPLE AND CAUSED FINANCIAL LOSSES.

2. COMMENT: GOOD-WILL GESTURES TOWARD THE U.S. HAVE NOT BEEN EXACTLY A DAILY STAPLE OF THE AFGHAN MEDIA'S DIET RECENTLY. THEREFORE, WE URGE THAT THE DEPARTMENT CONTACT THE UNITED STATES RED CROSS AND ENSURE THAT AN APPROPRIATE RESPONSE IS SENT TO THE AFGHAN RED CRESCENT SOCIETY. SUCH A RESPONSE WOULD DEMONSTRATE TO THE AFGHAN GOVERNMENT THAT
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WE ARE ALERT TO POSITIVE GESTURES ON THEIR PART. WE WOULD BE PLEASED TO EXPEDITE DELIVERY OF WHATEVER MESSAGE THE U.S. RED CROSS MAY WISH TO SEND.
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